

1 SCOPING MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED CANADIAN NATIONAL
2 RAILWAY COMPANY ACQUISITION OF THE
3 ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANY
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9 STATEMENT OF:
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2 to add some things to my statement that I
3 made in the public auditorium. Not only am
4 I concerned for the kids playing in Tot
5 Park and I'm concerned for the people that
6 live in Griffith, our property values will
7 drop. They will -- this will totally
8 devastate Griffith. And when people are
9 concerned about the economic influence and
10 how this can help the economy, it will not
11 help the economy of Schererville and Dyer
12 and Griffith. And those are three very
13 important communities that Northwest
14 Indiana needs to have thriving.

15 So those that think it will be
16 good for the economy of Northwest Indiana,
17 they're sadly mistaken. They need to talk
18 to a Griffith resident because this will
19 totally devastate the town. People will
20 move in flocks. They will leave the area
21 because they will not be able to live in a
22 healthy environment whatsoever.

23 It will be unhealthy because of
24 air pollution from the diesel from the

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1 trains and the exhaust from the cars.
2 There will be increased noise pollution
3 whether they close off the whistles or not.
4 There will be increased hazards beyond our
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5 capabilities to handle.

6 Our property values will

7 plummet. They will turn our residential

8 areas into industrial areas and no one is

9 going to be living in an industrial area.

10 I don't see a future for Griffith if this

11 goes through. And that's all I need to

12 say.

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